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## *San Diego Chargers: The Game Plan*

Over the next few months, the San Diego Chargers will be focused on the numbers—and an aging power plant on the Chula Vista bayfront.

In a recent appearance before the City Council, Chargers spokesperson Mark Fabiani announced the team will take time out from its high profile stadium search in Chula Vista to determine if there's a way to privately pay for a new billion dollar facility. While the Chargers are exploring finances with a team of consultants, they will also be taking a long, hard look at the South Bay Power Plant, which sits on one of two potential stadium sites in the city.

Although city leaders are demanding that the hulking plant be decommissioned and demolished by 2010, the California Independent System Operator (ISO), which controls the power grid for much of the state, has given the South Bay plant a "must run" designation. That means the plant will continue to operate until replacement power production can be identified.

The Chargers have been sitting on the sidelines, witnessing the struggle over the future of the power plant. Fabiani told city leaders that, over the next several months, the organization must determine if there is a reliable timetable for decommissioning the plant.

In a series of public meetings, the Chargers have been gauging public opinion about the possibility of locating a stadium in Chula Vista. Two potential sites

are under consideration —the bayfront site in the west, and acres of privately owned land in the east.

During his brief presentation to Council, Fabiani noted the Chargers organization was encouraged by the level of interest shown by Chula Vistans. "The vast majority of people we met were open-minded," he noted.

Can the Chargers privately finance a stadium? And when will California ISO pull the plug on the power plant? The Chargers aren't expected back before the City Council until they have their answers.



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## Raising the Profile of Cold Cases

Visit the Chula Vista Police Department online to help solve old murder cases.

CVPD's Cold Case Unit is producing videos and will soon post them on the City's website to raise the profile of unsolved homicides. Investigators are hoping the videos outlining past cases will generate leads that will allow them to close the book on some of the City's worst violent crimes. They hope to jog the memories of witnesses, family members, neighbors and others who may have valuable information to share.

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Just recently, they solved the murder of 18-year old Anita Marie Carrier (pictured here), who was stabbed to death 31 years ago. The victim walked into the Main Gate bar in Chula Vista just before closing time and left with a man. The next morning, her body was discovered on the grounds of an apartment complex. Carrier had been stabbed 28 times.



was the original crime scene technician on the case. His efforts in collecting and preserving the evidence played a major role in finding Carrier's killer.

Anyone who wants to contact the Cold Case team about unsolved homicides can call (619) 409-5801 or fill out a tip sheet that will be posted online.

(Click on the badge at the top left of the page to go directly to the Police Department website.)

For more than three decades, detectives believed career criminal Charles Edward Manley, also known as Charles Edward Beard, was the murderer—but they couldn't prove it beyond a reasonable doubt.

Just recently, the Cold Case Unit asked the Sheriff's Crime Lab to take a fresh look at the DNA evidence, including fingernail clippings from the victim. The DNA results linked Manley to the murder—years after he died in a Nevada prison. The case of Anita Carrier has been "cleared."

A key player in the investigation is recently retired CVPD Crime Lab Manager Bill Johnson, who





# High Tech High Countdown

Next fall, High Tech High Chula Vista, the first school of its kind in the South Bay, moves into a brand new facility on the University Park and Research Center campus.

The charter school, which will occupy an eight-acre site at the corner of Hunte Parkway and Discovery Falls Drive in eastern Chula Vista, is now accepting applications from students for the 2008-2009 school year. Only ninth and tenth grade students can apply.

Last year, when the permanent facility was still under construction, the charter school opened with 150 ninth grade students in temporary quarters on the Mater Dei Catholic High School campus. Each year, High Tech High Chula Vista will expand to include another grade. Eventually, a companion school for younger students—K through 8 grades—will open on a three-acre site nearby.

High Tech High is accepting applications for the new school year. Applications are due March 7, 2008.

Every year, new students are selected using a computerized lottery system designed to capture a student population that reflects the demographics of the community. Applications for the new school year are due by March 7.

High Tech High Chula Vista offers students a college preparatory curriculum that highlights environmental studies, sustainability, civic engagement, and student leadership. The Chula Vista campus is a tuition-free, public charter school affiliated with the nationally recognized network of High Tech High schools lauded for their innovative design principles and rigorous project-based learning.

High Tech High began in 2000 as a single charter high school launched by a coalition of San Diego business leaders and educators who were concerned about the region's shortage of qualified high-tech workers. It evolved into a nationally recognized school development organization committed to showing how education can be redesigned to ensure that all students graduate well prepared for college, work and citizenship.



Applications for fall enrollment are available online at [www.hightechhigh.org/schools/HTHCV/](http://www.hightechhigh.org/schools/HTHCV/). All families applying to the Chula Vista location are required to attend one of four parent information meetings. Current scheduled meetings are:

**Saturday, Feb. 9  
10:30-11:30 a.m.**  
Civic Center Branch Library  
365 F Street, Chula Vista

**Saturday, March 1  
10:30-11:30 a.m.**  
Civic Center Branch Library  
365 F Street, Chula Vista





## BMX Arrives in Chula Vista

USA Cycling has set its sights on Chula Vista as a training ground for its newest Olympic Sport, BMX Super Cross. The U.S. Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista has the only permanent BMX training course in the country. The course, which opened January 21, gives riders like Donny Robinson, Mike Day and Jill Kintner a tremendous advantage as they prepare for the upcoming BMX Olympic debut in Beijing, China.

BMX, an acronym for Bicycle Motocross, is an action-packed form of cycling that takes athletes down a steep start ramp, over jumps and around sharp turns in a race for the finish line. Eight athletes go head-to-head in each race. BMX races are sprints, that showcase an athlete's speed, agility and power.

Chula Vista's course was built by Tom Ritzenthaler, an avid BMX rider who designed the sport's venue in Beijing.

"The new course is very challenging and very technical. It's very similar to what you'll see in Beijing, which is huge for our athletes," Ritzenthaler said. "They'll be training and competing on a sophisticated, state-of-the-art course; and because

of the similarities between the two venues, our athletes will be very comfortable with the kind of obstacles they encounter in the Olympic Games. This course at the training center has an eight-meter start ramp—there are no other permanent courses with a start ramp that high in the United States."

US Cycling is so pleased with the local course that it's named Chula Vista as the site for the Olympic Trials for Men's BMX, an event scheduled to take place sometime in June. NBC will be televising the trials.

"It's an honor to have our facility designated as the only permanent training location for BMX in the Americas," said Tracy Lamb, the center's new director. "We pledge to keep our training center on the cutting edge of competition for our nation's athletes."

The BMX program has another strong local connection. Program director Mike King grew up in Chula Vista and attended Montgomery Junior High and Bonita High schools. In those earlier days, King was a dedicated BMX athlete who undoubtedly spent more than a few days "shredding the trails" of Chula Vista.



### Athletes to Watch

Meet some of the training center's Olympic hopefuls in the next few editions of CV Connect.

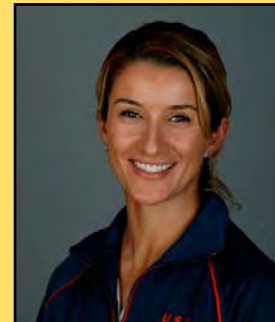
The Olympic Archery Team will be selected during the U.S. Archery Olympic Trials here in Chula Vista in April.



#### Brady Ellison

Archery

Just 19 years old, Ellison was a member of the Gold-Medal winning team at the 2007 Pan American Games in Rio de Janeiro and has spent the past year ranked in the top-three for U.S. men.



#### Khatuna Lorig

Archery

An experienced Archer with three Olympic Games and an Olympic Bronze Medal under her belt, Lorig hopes to make her fourth Olympic Team in 2008.



## The Latest at the Library

### Wine Tasting Event Supports Library

Enjoy an evening of wine, hors d'oeuvres and heirloom discovery February 9, as the Chula Vista Library Foundation (CVLF) hosts a special event to benefit the City's three library branches. From 5-8 p.m., the foundation will host "Amore del Vino en Letteratura" (Love of Wine and a Love of Literature) at the Monteville Recreation Center, located at 840 Duncan Ranch Road.

The CVLF is a non-profit organization that supports the programs and services of the Chula Vista Public Library. "This is our first fundraising event, and we're planning on making it a memorable evening," said Roderick Reinhart, the Foundation's Secretary. "Sip some wine and nibble on hors d'oeuvres while helping your local library. Don't forget to bring along a family heirloom for a free evaluation by appraisers who will be sharing their expertise with us—specifically for this event."

Wine-tasting tickets are \$35 per person. Tickets can be purchased at the three library branches or online at [www.cvplfoundation.org](http://www.cvplfoundation.org).

### February Film Festival

Romance will be in the air the month of February as the library headlines four great movies in the "Romance in Black America Film Festival" at the Chula Vista Public Library. The films will be shown on Wednesday nights-- Feb. 6, 13, 20 and 27-- starting at 5:30 p.m. in the Civic Center Branch auditorium. The Civic Center Branch is located at 365 F St.

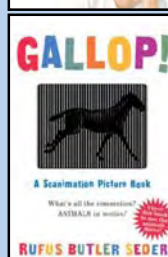
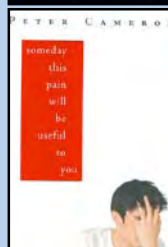
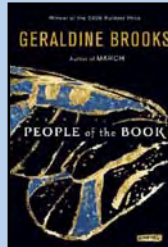
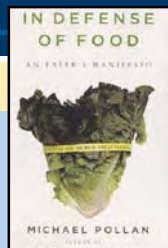
Anyone interested in knowing more about the festival and the film titles is encouraged to visit one of the branches to get a flyer or call the Civic Center Branch at (619) 691-5069.

### Used Book Sales

Looking for an interesting book to read? Then check out the huge selection of used materials that will be offered at three library book sales in February. **CLICK HERE** for details.

### Library Hours Have Changed

**CLICK HERE** to view the new hours at each branch.



## Too Good to Miss!

### In Defense of Food: an Eater's Manifesto

by Michael Pollan

The best-selling author of *The Omnivore's Dilemma* cites the reasons why people have become so confused about their dietary choices, counseling readers on the importance of enjoyable moderate eating of mostly traditional plant foods.

### Nigella Express: 130 Recipes for Good Food, Fast

by Nigella Lawson

A collection of recipes by the host of *Nigella Feasts* combines time-saving tips, recommendations for stocking a kitchen, and culinary strategies with preparation instructions for such fare as Asian-flavored Chowder and No-worries Chocolate Mousse.

### The Art of Power

by Thich Nhat Hanh

The renowned Buddhist monk and author of *Peace is Every Step* outlines a radical perspective on how to attain true power, sharing anecdotal teachings that reveal how current understanding about power typically results in egocentric thinking and unsatisfactory pursuits.

### People of the Book

by Geraldine Brooks

Offered a coveted job to analyze and conserve a priceless Sarajevo Haggadah, Australian rare-book expert Hanna Heath discovers a series of tiny artifacts in the volume's ancient binding that reveal its historically significant origins. By the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *March*.

### Someday This Pain Will Be Useful to You

by Peter Cameron

With his freshman year at Brown looming in the near future, eighteen-year-old James begins to plan his escape by saving the money from his summer job at his mother's art gallery in order to get a cabin on the prairie, where he can finally find the sanctuary he needs, in a dramatic coming-of-age tale.

### Gallop!

by Rufus Butler Seder

Rhyming text asks if the reader can move like a variety of animals, in a book where striped acetate overlays on board pages give illustrations the illusion of movement.

**For the Library's HOT PICKS, click link below:**

<http://bibliotheca.chulavista.lib.ca.us/search/ftlist^bib07%2C1%2C0%2C18/mode=2>





# Get Active...and Have Fun!

## Learn Archery from an Olympian

Having a U.S. Olympic Training Center as a neighbor has its advantages. Over the past 12 years, the training center and the City's Recreation Department have forged a close working relationship. That's the reason Tara Robey, a two-time national archery champion and winner of five medals, is teaching archery classes and camps for the City of Chula Vista.

Robey has competed with the U.S. Olympic Archery Team. Most recently, she was the director of a Junior Olympic Archery Development tournament in Chula Vista. Eight of her students participated in the tournament and, competing against other young people across the country, won several medals. In fact, our recreation department was the only city agency at the National Tournament.

### Spring Archery Camp

March 17 - 21 from 9-11 a.m. (\$65)

### Archery Classes

Eight-week Saturday morning archery classes for ages 8 and up begin April 19 (\$50). Sign up early! Equipment is provided. Classes and camps are at Paseo Del Rey Park, 750 Paseo Del Rey.

For more information, call (619) 691 5140.

## Aquatic Programs

### Lifeguard Training Class

March 15 - 21 at Loma Verde Family Aquatic Center. Fee: \$100 (covers books and supplies.)

### Water Safety Instructor Class

March 17 - 21 at Parkway Family Aquatic Center. Fee: \$125 (covers books and supplies.)

### Aqua Camp

Innovative camp for ages 9-14 that introduces aquatic activities and teaches healthy eating habits. Monday-Friday, March 17-21 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Parkway Family Aquatic Center. Fee: \$115, with an extended day option for an additional fee.

### Water Fitness

Classes return to Loma Verde Family Aquatic Center beginning February 11. Classes will be held Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11 a.m. to noon. The fee per class is \$4 or get a 10-class package for \$35. For additional information regarding the programs at the Loma Verde Family Aquatic Center, call (619) 691-5081; for information on programs at Parkway Family Aquatic Center, call (619) 691-5088.

## Special Activities at Loma Verde Recreation Center

### Big Game Thursday

Lots of action, including a punt, pass and kick contest—as well as hot dogs, games and prizes. The event will be held on Thursday, January 31 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. It's free and residents of all ages are welcome.

### Mardi Gras Party

Celebrate "Fat Tuesday" with games, crafts and prizes! It will be held on Tuesday, February 5 from 2:30 to 4 p.m.

### Valentine's Day Dances

Two separate youth dances will be held on Friday, February 8. A 5th and 6th grade dance, featuring a dance contest, raffles and more, will be held from 3-5 p.m. A cover charge of \$1 will be collected at the door. A teen dance for middle and high school students starts at 8 p.m. and ends at 11 p.m. A \$3 cover charge picks up the cost of a live DJ playing Hip-Hop, Top 40s and slow jams.







## Clapper Rail Release

Staff and volunteers at the Chula Vista Nature Center are getting ready for one of the most intense and rewarding times of the year as they prepare for the annual Light-footed Clapper Rail hatching season.

Rails are an endangered species. The birds, native to Southern California, thrived here until their coastal wetland habitat began to disappear decades ago. Scientists warned that, without human intervention, the species was destined to become extinct.

The Nature Center and several of its partners including the San Diego Wild

Animal Park, SeaWorld, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, stepped in to save the rails with an ambitious captive breeding program.

Since the breeding program began in 2001, 171 birds have been reared and released into the region's wetlands--from Santa Barbara to the Mexican border.

This video shows the Nature Center's most recent Light-footed Clapper Rail release in San Diego County.



## Technology Grant

*Brings easier online access*

Thanks to a \$10,000 technology grant from the AT&T Foundation, the Chula Vista Nature Center will be easier to access—online. The grant provides funding for much-needed web upgrades that will allow the center to improve its connection to customers and expand the level of service to everyone who has an interest in preserving the region's wetlands and native wildlife. When the upgrades are completed a few months from now, online visitors will be able to:

- Purchase educational materials
- Purchase memberships
- Donate to the Nature Center Foundation

In addition, the grant lays the groundwork for installation of a second webcam, which will feature the center's magnificent pair of Golden eagles—permanent residents of the Eagle Mesa exhibit.



Located on the Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge along San Diego Bay, the Chula Vista Nature Center exhibits plants and animals native to local marsh and wetland habitats.

"This grant gives us the opportunity to reach out to a larger and more diverse audience," noted Nature Center director Dan Beintema. "The support of the AT&T Foundation will ensure that we continue to provide environmental conservation education to more people than ever before--from visitors and students to members, volunteers, and donors."

AT&T Excelsior grants support worthy nonprofit organizations such as the Chula Vista Nature Center by helping them introduce new technologies that ultimately result in improved or increased programs for the populations they serve. The AT&T Foundation is the corporate philanthropy organization of AT&T, Inc.

## The Brew House at EastLake

### How many brew pubs boast a dessert chef?

That's just one of the extras that makes the Brew House at EastLake stand out from other brew pubs in the region.

Chula Vista's first micro brewery, which opened just before the new year in the EastLake Design District, has already become a popular neighborhood stop. With its hand-crafted brews and upscale pub fare, this newcomer is an original that caters to customers with a taste for quality and distinction.

Where else will you find labels on tap like Bonita Blond, Wolf Canyon Wheat, Rolling Hills Irish Red and Otay Lakes Oatmeal Stout?

Owners Doug Chase and Jim Shirey—two South Bay entrepreneurs—started brewing beer as a hobby twelve years ago at home in EastLake. While they perfected their recipes and techniques, the two men dreamed of opening a unique, independent brew pub. After Shirey sold his car auction business, and Chase's high tech employer moved its operations overseas, the friends got down to business. They selected a location, hired a chef and a restaurant consultant, and started planning the menu and the design of their 7,400 square-foot restaurant.

"We wanted a clean, simple, elegant design," noted Chase, an engineer, who's proud of the brew pub's natural look of wood paneling and brick accents.

Huge custom made stainless steel fermenting tanks filled with beer, line the walls of the bar lounge. Although the brew pub isn't a bona fide sports bar, fans can track their favorite teams and athletes on one of the 14 overhead plasma TVs. Two private rooms, equipped with plasmas, DVD players, and PowerPoint ready technology, are available for special events or business meetings. A small arcade caters to kids and their computer games; and a large outdoor patio overlooks a relaxing fountain and features two fire pits.

"Customers tell us they've been waiting for our Brew House to open," said Chase. "The comment we hear over and over again is—this is what EastLake needs."

Chase and Shirey, who also have a brewery in southwestern Chula Vista, are just as proud of the food they serve as the beer they brew. They've installed a 750 degree pizza oven and a smoker that turns out delicious ribs, tri tip and chicken. Everything from sauces and crab cakes to desserts and five onion stout soup are made from scratch. For non-beer drinkers, the Brew House at EastLake offers a full bar, draft root beer, a boutique wine list, "Brew Tinis," and specialty cocktails like the Padre Pomegranate Mojito and the Chula Cheese Cake Martini.

Eat in, or order out.

Home delivery will be coming soon.

Visit [www.BrewHouseEastLake.com](http://www.BrewHouseEastLake.com) to see the menu for yourself.







## Photo Contest

Submit your digital photos--if you win, you'll see your creation featured in the next edition.

(Sorry--no original prints accepted.)

Email your entry to

[photocontest@chulavistaca.gov](mailto:photocontest@chulavistaca.gov)

### QUALIFICATIONS:

- Photo must be taken in Chula Vista
- Photo quality should be a higher resolution--or large photo at 72 dpi
- File size must be no larger than 4 MB
- Entry must include:
  - Your name and city
  - Photo subject
  - Location (in Chula Vista) where the photo was taken

Your photo will be judged on composition, quality and creativity.

**Good luck!**

*This issue's photo:*

Carmel Wilson, San Diego

Taken at  
Chula Vista Fire Station 8



*"I want to be a firefighter."*



## Special Events

### Children's Museum Hosts Interactive Programs for Kids

The South Bay Children's Museum and the Chula Vista Library are teaming up to offer two programs that give kids hands-on fun at the library. "Perception Puzzlers" and "Bubbleology" are slated for Feb. 15 at the Civic Center Library at 365 F St. Both programs will be offered in conjunction with a library story time. For hours and more information, call (619) 691-5069 or visit [www.southbaycm.org](http://www.southbaycm.org).

### Otay Park Re-Opening

Celebrate the re-opening of Otay Park on Friday, February 22 at 12:30 p.m. The newly renovated park features two tot lots, picnic areas, swing sets and a multi-purpose field. Light refreshments will be served. The park is located at 1611 Albany Avenue.

### Southwest Chula Vista Community Event

Meet your neighbors and find out what's going on in your city at the Southwest Chula Vista Community Event on Saturday, March 15 from 11 a.m. - 2 .pm. Give your opinion about what is important to you and learn about local programs and services. Refreshments and child entertainment will be provided. The event will be held at the Otay Recreation Center located at 3554 Main Street.



### HTHCV Faces of the Future Event: Going Green One Teen at a Time

Join High Tech High Chula Vista's first annual community event, "Faces of the Future: Going Green One Teen at a Time," a night at the Hotel Del Coronado on March 6. Celebrate innovation, education, and the environment while enjoying dinner, dancing, casino action, and a lively auction featuring great items such as two roundtrip tickets anywhere on Southwest Airlines, a family YMCA membership and much more. Tickets are \$150 per person. Community sponsorship opportunities are also available. For more information, please contact Lisa

Davis at High Tech High Chula Vista at (619) 591-2500 or email [www.hthcvpa.org](http://www.hthcvpa.org).

### Cesar E. Chavez Day

The City will be closed on Monday, March 31 in observance of the Cesar E. Chavez holiday.



## Farmers Market

**Start the New Year off right and get those fruits and vegetables into your diet!**

Visit Chula Vista's certified farmers market to purchase fresh produce and flowers directly from local fields. Also enjoy a wide variety of delicious specialty and international foods and an array of handcrafted items.

The market is open every Thursday from 3 - 6 p.m. on Center Street off Third Avenue in downtown Chula Vista.

## Around Town

### Get Engaged in Your Community

Are you interested in learning how your city government works? Get an inside look at city programs, services, policies and issues.

During a series of mostly evening sessions, you can tour city facilities, meet City Council members and interact with department heads and frontline staff. Participation in the Citizens Leadership Academy (CLA) is an opportunity to get answers to questions you've always wanted to ask. Session topics include city finances, planning for growth, public safety, recreation, capital projects, road improvements and library services.

Although the second CLA doesn't get underway until April 2, applications are due February 20. For more information, email [cla@chulavistaca.gov](mailto:cla@chulavistaca.gov).

### Spring Training Reading

March 15 to April 12 is the Spring Training Reading Program at the Chula Vista Public Library. All children and teens can visit the library to receive a booklet to track reading and receive rewards.



### Smile Pretty!

Check out the city's Photo Gallery on our website to view pictures from special events and programs. Go to [www.chulavistaca.gov](http://www.chulavistaca.gov). Under "The Latest," click on the "Photo Galleries" icon.

### Otay Ranch Town Center New Openings:

Frida's Mexican Cuisine and AMC Otay Ranch 12 Theaters.



### Mayor's State of the City

You are invited to attend Mayor Cheryl Cox's State of the City address on March 18 at 6 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Civic Center (276 Fourth Avenue). The regular meeting of the Chula Vista City Council will follow.

### Cell Phone Registry

In Chula Vista, a public notification system sent emergency messages to homes threatened by the recent fires. Cell phone users, however, received calls only if they had made the effort to register their numbers. Add your cell phone number to San Diego County's database by signing up for Alert San Diego at [www.sdcountyemergency.com](http://www.sdcountyemergency.com).

### Passport Services Reminder

The Chula Vista City Clerk's office offers passport services (by appointment only) Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon in the City Hall lobby. To schedule a time, call (619) 409-1949.



### An Energy Check-up for Your Home

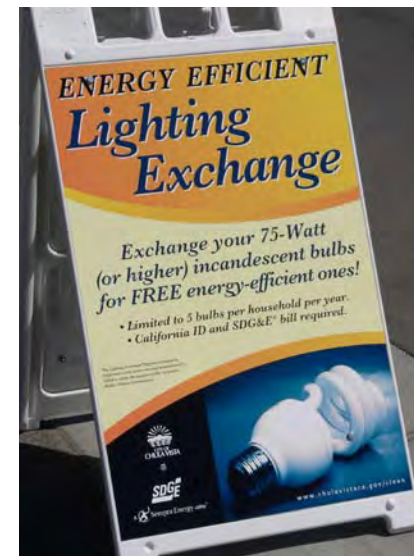
If winter energy bills are getting you down, it may be time for a home energy check-up courtesy of the City of Chula Vista-SDG&E Energy Efficiency Partnership. Our Energy Specialists will come to your home to answer all your questions, and will exchange up to five of your old light bulbs for energy-saving Compact Fluorescent Bulbs for free! Call the Chula Vista Department of Conservation and Environmental Services for an assessment today at (619) 409-3893.



### Go Green Bonanza!

Get everything you need to Go Green and Clean on Saturday, February 23 at the Civic Center Branch Library (365 F Street) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Help keep toxic mercury out of our bay and ocean by exchanging your old mercury thermometer for a new, mercury-free digital thermometer (stock is limited, first come first serve). Lower your energy bills and help slow global warming by exchanging up to five of your old incandescent light bulbs for new, energy saving compact fluorescent light bulbs (limit five bulbs per household per year).

For more information on the thermometer exchange, call (619) 691-5122; for the light bulb exchange, call (619) 409-3893.







## Save Energy! Get Free Shade Trees!

Time is running out for an unbeatable offer. Until March 15, Chula Vista homeowners can get up to ten free trees through the South Bay Shade program! Trees provide shade that reduces energy costs, improves local air and water quality, and increases property values. The program offers more than 20 tree varieties ranging from 10 to 15-gallons in size.

For more information, log onto [www.energycenter.org](http://www.energycenter.org). The South Bay Shade program is administered by the California Center for Sustainable Energy and funded through The Home Depot Foundation.

## R&R Reduce and Recycle

Reducing waste and recycling more saves natural resources, saves energy, reduces the production of greenhouse gases and can save you money. To help you get started:

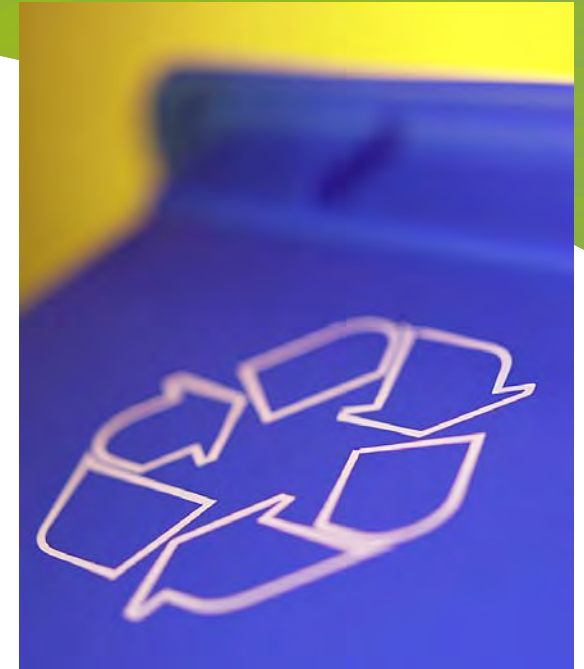
- Reduce your packaging: Buy bulk or concentrated products when you can
- Reduce toxicity: Recycle your batteries and use rechargeable or reduced mercury batteries.
- Select reusable products: Sturdy, washable utensils, tableware, cloth napkins, and cleaning cloths can be used many times.
- Use durable products: Choose furniture, sports equipment, toys and tools that will stand the test of time.
- Reuse products: Reuse newspaper, boxes, "peanuts" and bubble wrap to ship packages.
- Buy products made from recycled material: Many bottles, cans, cereal boxes, containers, paper products, greeting cards and cardboard cartons are made from recycled materials. Look for the words "Recycled Content".

If you can reduce the amount of waste you generate at your home or office, you can reduce the amount of trash service you need, saving you money.

Residents have the ability to choose from three different size trash carts for weekly trash service (32, 64 and 96 gallons). Do you have the right size trash cart for you? Call Allied Waste to discuss your options (619) 421-9400.

Business owners/managers can call one of the City's Recycling Specialists to receive a free waste audit and service evaluation of your specific operation. Just call (619) 397-6360 or (619) 397-6222 to set an appointment.

More information can be found at [www.chulavistaca.gov/clean](http://www.chulavistaca.gov/clean)





## Helpful Connections

Animal Control	619-691-5123
Budget and Analysis	619-691-5049
City Attorney	619-691-5037
City Clerk	619-691-5041
City Council	619-691-5044
City Manager	619-691-5031
Communications and Media Relations	619-691-5296
Community Development	619-691-5047
Conservation & Environmental Services	619-691-5122
Engineering	619-691-5021
Finance	619-691-5250
Fire	619-691-5055
General Services	619-397-6220
Human Resources	619-691-5096
Job Hotline	619-691-5095
Library	619-691-5069
Nature Center	619-409-5900
Building Division	619-691-5272
Planning Division	619-691-5101
Police	619-691-5151
Public Works Operations	619-397-6000
Purchasing	619-691-5141
Recreation	619-409-5979
Special Events Hotline	619-585-5682
Transit Division	619-397-6059

### CITY SERVICES (CHULA VISTA)

Park Reservations:	619-397-6197
<a href="https://www.chulavistaca.gov/City_Services/Community_Services/Public_Works_Operations/Facility/main.aspx">https://www.chulavistaca.gov/City_Services/Community_Services/Public_Works_Operations/Facility/main.aspx</a>	
Graffiti Hotline	619-691-5198
Graffiti IN PROGRESS	911
Graffiti Abatement Program Info Online	
<a href="http://www.chulavistaca.gov/City_Services/Community_Services/Public_Works_Operations/Traffic_sign/graffiti.asp">http://www.chulavistaca.gov/City_Services/Community_Services/Public_Works_Operations/Traffic_sign/graffiti.asp</a>	
Report Crime	619-691-5151
<a href="https://www.chulavistaca.gov/city_services/public_safety/police_department/onlineReporting/Default.asp">https://www.chulavistaca.gov/city_services/public_safety/police_department/onlineReporting/Default.asp</a>	
Local Environmental Info	<a href="http://www.chulavistaca.gov/clean">www.chulavistaca.gov/clean</a>
Code Enforcement Info Desk	619-691-5280
Chula Vista Police Community Relations	619-691-5127
Household Hazardous Waste Program Info	619-691-5122
Passport Appointment Line	619-409-1949

### LOCAL AND REGIONAL RESOURCES

Chula Vista Chamber of Commerce	<a href="http://www.chulavistachamber.org">www.chulavistachamber.org</a>
Chula Vista Elementary School District	<a href="http://www.cvesd.k12.ca.us">www.cvesd.k12.ca.us</a>
County of San Diego	<a href="http://www.co.san-diego.ca.us">www.co.san-diego.ca.us</a>
Port of San Diego	<a href="http://www.portofsandiego.org">www.portofsandiego.org</a>
San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)	<a href="http://www.sandag.cog.ca.us">www.sandag.cog.ca.us</a>
San Diego Better Business Bureau	<a href="http://www.sandiego.bbb.org">www.sandiego.bbb.org</a>
San Diego Gas and Electric	<a href="http://www.sdge.com">www.sdge.com</a>
San Diego Union-Tribune (San Diego daily newspaper)	<a href="http://www.signonsandiego.com">www.signonsandiego.com</a>
South County Economic Development Council (SCEDC)	<a href="http://www.sandiegosouth.com">www.sandiegosouth.com</a>
Southwestern College	<a href="http://www.swc.cc.ca.us">www.swc.cc.ca.us</a>
Sweetwater Union High School District	<a href="http://www.suhsd.k12.ca.us">www.suhsd.k12.ca.us</a>
Third Avenue Village Association	<a href="http://www.cvdba.com">www.cvdba.com</a>
Franchise Tax Board	<a href="http://www.ftb.ca.gov">www.ftb.ca.gov</a>
Local News, Weather, Traffic & Media	<a href="http://www.homeport-sd.com/news">www.homeport-sd.com/news</a>